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MEMORANDUM FOR: Associate Deputy Director for Operations

VIA: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: Harry E. Fitzwater  
Director of Personnel

SUBJECT: Post Differential

REFERENCE: Memo to D/Pers from A/DDO; undated;  
Subject: same (DD/O 79-2172)

1. In referent memorandum you recommended that procedures be arranged to permit the payment of post differential, retroactive to the date of arrival, to all Agency employees who are sent on extended TDY to overseas hardship posts. Relative to this recommendation, I have obtained from the Office of General Counsel the attached opinion which indicates that such payment would be contrary to the current provision of section 540 of the Standardized Regulations and that the request does not identify any cover, security or unique Agency-associated factors which would support a conclusion that the use of the Agency's Section 8 authorities would be necessary.

2. Based on the above opinion, I am unable at this time to establish procedures for payment of post differential as requested in referent memorandum. For your information, we have made further inquiry to the State Department's Allowances Staff and have been advised that they presently have no plans to change the 42-day waiting period or retroactive provisions established in section 540 of the Standardized Regulations.

*Harry E. Fitzwater*  
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